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Our Case No. 0113609/002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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 John C. Hiatt, Jr., et al.)
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Serial No.: 10/017,040) Examiner: Jocelyn Greimel
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Filing Date: December 6, 2001) Group Art Unit No.: 3693
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For: Delayed Start Financial)
 Instrument And Method For)
 Converting Delayed Start)
 Financial Instrument To A)
 Standard Option)

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 5, 2007 setting a shortened statutory response date of one month. As this paper is being filed on June 5, 2007, a one-month extension of time is being submitted herewith.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.